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REMARKS

Favorable consideration of this application is requested in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks. Claims 1-118 are pending in the application.

At pages 2-5 of the Action, dated February 14, 2007, the Examiner discusses a 33 way election of species requirement. Applicant hereby elects Species XXXIII figure 29 with traverse. The claims encompassed by the elected species are 1-27, 28-38, 40-61, 63-70, 72-89, 91-118.

At page 4, lines 1-3 of the Action, the examiner states

These species are independent or distinct because the applicant discloses the numerous figures as different embodiments. See the brief description of the drawings and detailed description.

The phrase "embodiment of the invention" cannot be reasonably interpreted to mean the same thing as an independent and/or distinct invention. The traversal is based on the following facts. The structure of Fig. 26 is shown in Fig. 29 as 2920. An alternative configuration of the alternatives structures of Figs. 25A and 25B is shown in Fig. 29 as 2625. The structure of Figs. 23A and 23B is shown in Fig. 29 as 2930. Figs. 22 & 24 show the detailed behavior and construction of 2930 in Fig. 29. Fig. 20 & 21 show details of different implementations of 2625 and 2910. Fig. 17 & 19 showing how light is treated by 2930. Fig. 2 a and b showing mirror reflections of 2940. The structure 1910 of Fig. 19 is a particular view of 2930 involving collecting lenses only. The structure 1720 of Fig. 17 is a particular implementation of spreading light illustrated in Fig. 22. Therefore, the enumeration of species in the requirement set forth in the Action is illogical.

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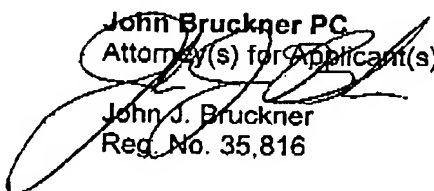
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Other than as explicitly set forth above, this reply does not include acquiescence to statements in the Office Action. In view of the above, all the claims are considered patentable and allowance of all the claims is respectfully requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned (at direct line 928-226-1073) for prompt action in the event any issues remain that prevent the allowance of any pending claims.

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.136(a) pertaining to patent application processing fees, Applicant requests an extension of time from March 14, 2007 to May 14, 2007 in which to respond to the Office Action dated February 14, 2007. A notification of extension of time is filed herewith.

The Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 50-3204 of John Bruckner PC.

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